

**Circulation**  
 Average for 1920, 5250  
 Population of Salem 1900, 4253;  
 1910, 14,094; 1920, 17,679  
 Marion County 1920, 47,177;  
 Polk County, 14,191  
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## The Weather

OREGON: Tonight and Saturday occasional rain; moderate winds, mostly easterly.  
 LOCAL: Rainfall, .02; southerly winds; cloudy; maximum 60, minimum 46, set 51; river 4.6 feet and stationary.

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# MARTIAL LAW IS DECLARED IN WEST VIRGINIA

## Senator Seeks To Suppress Expose of Draft Evaders Three Counties Go Over Tax Limit

## Governor Morgan Puts Mining Area Under Troop Rule

### Polk Is \$10,000 Beyond

### President Presents Mme. Curie With Precious Gram

### Error Theory Aired

### Stanley Proposes Ban On Publication Of "Slacker Lists"

### Proclamation Necessary to End "State of War, Insurrection and Riot," Says Executive; Labor Leaders Appeal to Non-Union Miners to Strike; Protection Promised

Commissioners Figures Also Show Clackamas Levy Is Beyond Limit



Washington, May 20.—Mme. Curie, the eminent Polish scientist, came to Washington today from New York to receive from President Harding the gram of radium which has been purchased for her by the women of America. The presentation took place at the White House at 3 o'clock this afternoon. Mrs. Harding, Mrs. Hughes, wife of the secretary of state, Mme. Jusserand, wife of the French ambassador and Princess Lubomirski, wife of the Polish minister, assisted in the presentation.

County Court's Explanation of Excess Levy In Marion Not Fully Substantiated

Failure of the Marion county court to make an explanation of the presence of an excess of \$33,342 over and above the legal limit in the 1921 tax levy, other than it was a mistake—the blame for which is unplaced—coupled with the fact that the court has been aware that such an excess existed since early in April without making any announcement of the fact, today places the excess in the light of something more than an error.

Washington, May 20.—A bill under which the war department would be directed to suspend publication of its so-called "slacker lists" pending further investigation as to their correctness was introduced today by Senator Stanley, democrat of Kentucky.

### Utopian Isle Held O. K. By Investors; Other Buyers Found

Unshaken faith in the sun-drenched, fruit-abounding, oyster-yielding "Garden of Eden" island off the coast of Mexico, was reasserted this morning by several well-known Salem men who bought portions of the vest-pocket edition of paradise a few days ago.

Charleston, W. Va., May 20.—Governor Morgan today issued a proclamation declaring martial law in Mingo county, the scene of industrial strife for more than a year.

What has been termed a "lockout strike" has been in progress in the coal mines of the Mingo field for almost a year and, according to the governor's proclamation a "state of war, insurrection and riot is and has been for some time in existence."

Soon after the governor's proclamation appeared, Charles F. Kenney, president of the district 17, United Mine Workers of America in a signed statement called upon all non-union miners in the Mingo field to strike and promised them union benefits while they were idle.

### Funds Now High Degree Are \$75,000 Received By For Hospital Masons Here

Williamson, W. Va., May 20.—Determination of the Mingo county authorities to preserve order in the upper Tug river valley mining region took tangible form today when several hundred rifles were received by Captain Brockus, commanding the state police in this region. They were taken to the court house where business and professional men who yesterday took the oath as special state policemen were waiting to receive them.

Other Oregon counties, all adjacent, have exceeded the constitutional limitation in their tax levies this year on the face of figures compiled by the state tax commissioner's office here. These counties are Marion, whose apparent excess amounts to \$33,342; Clackamas, with an apparent excess of \$28,638.37, and Polk, with apparent excess over the 6 per cent limit amounting to \$10,000.

Marion's total tax levy, the figures in the office of the state tax commissioner show, is \$1,081,067.79, whereas under the 6 per cent limitations the legal amount to be levied, according to the tax commissioner's figures, is \$1,048,110. In Clackamas county the 1921 total is \$326,055.94 with \$27,297.57 as the legal limit and Polk county the levy totals \$93,114.40, whereas the constitutional limit is \$397,850.22.

That the "error" was something more than an accident is well within the bounds of reason. Last year Marion county incurred a deficit of at least \$38,271.28 over the budget figures for 1920 due to the county court's error in including two compulsory tax items in the excess budget, which was declared illegal by the supreme court. These items were the common school levy and the high school tuition fund, which the county court is required by law to provide for over all other levies.

Local investors expressed the belief, today that the Associated Press had carried erroneous figures. By the Associated Press Mrs. Harper was quoted as saying that about 34,000 acres of the land were sold to Yakima valley residents at a cost of about \$25,000. Shearer and Patterson, in the suit they brought, asked that Mrs. Harper return to them \$448 and \$700 which they had paid down for their property and cancel their notes for \$1400 and \$3397, deposited in a Tappenhuis bank. A number of Yakima residents are now on the property, it was stated, and other suits are pending.

Other Investors Found. Mr. Archer explained that he expects to make the tropical island his winter home in the future. He will plant a few coconuts, he said, and spend a large part of his time engaging in the piscatorial pastime.

Three more Salem men were this morning found to be investors in the island. They are D. B. Jarman, 744 Cottage street; A. I. Eoff and E. H. Jory, 827 S. Commercial. Other local men who are said to have made purchases are David Drager, county treasurer; Frank Purvine, 1111 Saginaw street; Andrew Anderson, a local contractor; and Mr. Archer.

Pleased, Say Salemites. Those Salem investors who could be located today declare they were perfectly satisfied with their investments and were contemplating no action, similar to that taken by the two Yakima residents, against Mrs. Harper.

### Hundreds Pay Last Respects To Dead Jurist

Washington, May 20.—Scores of friends of the jurist, numbering many high officials, but representing the humbler walks of life as well, called today at the home of the late Chief Justice White to pay their respects, and messages of condolence continued to be received from all parts of the country and abroad.

On her arrival at the union station, Mme. Curie was greeted by a committee of prominent women. She was accompanied by her two daughters and Mrs. William Brown Maloney of New York.

Formal presentation of the gift to Mme. Curie who came to this country expressly to receive it, was made at the white house at a ceremony attended by high officials of the government and by a committee of those responsible for raising the purchase fund of \$100,000. The radium will be used to continue research work for prevention of disease.

Praised as Leader. President Harding paid tribute to the personal attainments of the distinguished visitor, to the spirit of womanhood typified by her, and to the national traditions which lie behind her native Poland and her adopted country, the French republic.

"We greet you as foremost among scientists in the age of science, as leader among women in the generation which sees woman come tardily into her own," said the president.

"It has been your fortune, Mme. Curie, to accomplish an immortal work for humanity. We bring to you the meed of honor which is due to preeminence in science, scholarship, research and humanitarianism. But with it all we bring you more. We lay at your feet the testimony of that love which all the generations of men have been wont to bestow upon the noble woman, the unselfish wife, the devoted mother."

Just where the excess in the levy for the present year comes is not entirely clear, but at least three items in the budget indicate where some of the deficit might be made up. In the levy for school purposes in the county the budget shows an increase of \$34,529.55 over the amount provided for the same purposes last year.

Investimating the needs of the county high school tuition fund the budget places the amount at \$50,000, but the assessor was instructed to levy at \$52,000 tax for 1921.

Apparently to provide for emergencies which might arise, the county court in its budget asked for approximately \$15,000 more for the general fund than the estimate amount needed for that fund.

### Debaters of S.H.S. Are In State Finals

Corvallis and Grants Pass debaters were laid to rest yesterday by the Salem high school debate teams at Eugene, and the locals will this afternoon argue against Eugene and Corvallis for the debate championship of the state.

Yesterday afternoon the Salem affirmative team won a unanimous victory from the Grants Pass negative, and Salem's negative defeated the Corvallis affirmative by a 2 to 1 decision. This afternoon the Salem negative will again meet the Corvallis affirmative, and the local affirmative team will meet up with Eugene's negative.

Ralph Emmons, second speaker on Salem's negative, was unable to enter the preliminaries, took his place with the team yesterday in the semi-finals.

French Issue of Paper Money Is Socialist Plan. Paris, May 20.—A bill authorizing the government to issue 150,000,000,000 francs in paper money was introduced in the chamber of deputies today by four moderate socialists. The object of the measure is to enable the government to resume payments for reconstruction of the devastated regions and also to enable it to retire national deficiencies and other bonds.

### Reputation Is Ruined; Starts Suit for \$400

Alleging that his reputation was injured and his good name shocked and humiliated when he was brought before Judge Unruh, justice of the peace, on a warrant sworn out for his arrest, charging him with having stolen a sack of potatoes on May 13, Ray Clark has filed suit in the circuit court to obtain \$400 damages and \$25 attorney's fees, from M. Nichols who caused his arrest.

Besides being arrested for stealing the spuds, Clark claims that the constable of Marion county searched his premises for garden tools, which Nichols claimed he had also stolen. The plaintiff further states that the officer failed to find either the spuds or the tools and that on a motion of the district attorney the case was dismissed on May 17.

A good neighbor is more careful of another man's property than he is of his own. No one has any more right to set fire to another man's woods than to his house or barn.

The need of a modern hospital has been apparent for years and increased demand means that the people of this community now have the opportunity to back up an assured fact.

### Bail Is Denied To Alleged Driver of N.Y. "Death Cart"

Jersey City, N. J., May 20.—yesterday by five persons as the driver of the wagon of explosives believed to have caused the disaster, was formally given into custody of the federal authorities today. Asked by Commissioner Hendrickson if he desired to make a statement, De Filippo said: "I know nothing of it. I never heard of the explosion. I don't know where Wall street is."

### Food Short In Silesia; Further Rioting Feared

London, May 20.—The food shortage in Upper Silesia has reached a crisis of a magnitude considered likely to cause further rioting unless it is relieved shortly, according to advices reaching official circles here. Intimidations are proceeding among the allied governments in an attempt to relieve the situation before the meeting of the supreme council which is to take up the Silesian question.

### Child Wife Freed Of Murder To Face Lightened Charge

Farmington, Mo., May 20.—The first degree murder charge against Mrs. John Parsons, 13 years old, in connection with the death of her six-year-old step daughter, Lilly, was dismissed by Circuit Court today. A charge of fourth degree manslaughter immediately was filed against the child wife.

### Bay Passenger Train Collides With Freight

Eugene, Or., May 20.—Passenger train 302 on the Coos Bay line of the Southern Pacific collided with a freight train in the yards here at 3:30 this morning. C. J. Griffith, mail clerk, was reported seriously injured and several passengers were shaken up and bruised.

Fire is all right in its place, but don't let fire from a "smoke" get loose and burn a house, a city, or a forest. Put out every spark before you throw it away.

### Legion To Observe Memorial Day

Dallas, Or., May 20.—The local post of the American Legion is preparing for Memorial day Monday, May 30. It is planned to make the event more noteworthy than in the past. It is expected that the Legion members, company L and many of the lodges will be in the line of parade. The Legion expects to be able to announce the entire program in time for publication next week.